

REMARKS

In accordance with the foregoing, the specification has been amended to improve form and provide improved correlation with the drawings and claims. Claims 1 and 5-10 have been amended, claim 4 has been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer, and claims 1, 3, and 5-10 are pending and under consideration. Claims 5 and 6 have been amended to depend from claim 1 instead of cancelled claim 4. No new matter is presented in this Amendment.

REJECTIONS UNDER 35 U.S.C. §102:

Claims 1 and 3-10 are rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being anticipated by Lamkin et al. (U.S. Patent 7,178,106). Claim 4 has been cancelled without prejudice or disclaimer. The rejection of claim 4 is thus moot.

Lamkin does not disclose all the limitations of claim 1 as amended. For example, Lamkin fails to disclose wherein the markup document includes event registration information to check whether the user performed the action. The FullScreen(w) command cited by the Examiner and disclosed by Lamkin at Table A.1.47, is a command to toggle between a full-screen mode and a window mode. Neither the FullScreen(w) command nor any other command disclosed by Lamkin checks whether the user performed the action.

In addition, Lamkin does not disclose prohibiting, when a second event occurs using second event information recorded in the markup document, the AV playback engine from being informed of the occurrence of the key input event. Lamkin discloses that during the interactive mode, certain functions are disabled (col. 19, lines 51-55). Lamkin does not disclose how the functions are disabled. In particular, Lamkin does not disclose that the system refers to second event information contained in the markup document when disabling the functions. The extensive API documentation disclosed by Lamkin does not include such a second event. Accordingly, Lamkin fails to disclose all the limitations of claim 1, and the rejection of claim 1 should be withdrawn.

Claim 3 depends from claim 1. The rejection of claim 3 should be withdrawn for the reasons given above with respect to claim 1.

Claims 5 and 6 depend from claim 1. The rejection of claims 5 and 6 should be

withdrawn for the reasons given above with respect to claim 1.

Claims 7 and 8 contain language similar to claim 1. The rejection of claims 7 and 8 should be withdrawn for the reasons given above with respect to claim 1.

Claims 9 and 10 contain language similar to claim 1. The rejection of claims 9 and 10 should be withdrawn for the reasons given above with respect to claim 1.

CONCLUSION:

Applicant(s) request(s) entry of this Rule 116 Response because the amendment of claims 1, 9, and 10 should not entail any further search by the Examiner since no new features are being added or no new issues are being raised relative to issues raised in at least related application no. 10/647,445. The amendments to the claim include limitations already present in claim 4. The amendments do not significantly alter the scope of the claims, and would at least place the application into a better form for purposes of appeal. No new features or new issues are being raised.

There being no further outstanding objections or rejections, it is submitted that the application is in condition for allowance. An early action to that effect is courteously solicited.

Finally, if there are any formal matters remaining after this response, the Examiner is requested to telephone the undersigned to attend to these matters.

If there are any additional fees associated with filing of this Amendment, please charge the same to our Deposit Account No. 503333.

Respectfully submitted,

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